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THE ADVOCATE OF A LOST CAUSE

When you have no ease, abuse the counsel for the other side. This advice, given by an old lawyer to a young one, has found lodgment in the mind of the New York World, which is the chief spokesman for the Wilson campaign management, and the columns of that paper now teem with abusive language in commenting upon the splendid campaign which Hughes is making through the country and which is solidifying the certainty of Republican success in November. The Democratic press of the country generally takes its cue from the World in this canvass. The word has been passed that if you see it in the World it may not be so, but it is the best we can do. Consequently, we find the whole Democratic pack—Blanche, Tray and Sweetheart—barking at Hughes's heels as he is traveling over the country, assailing him as evasive, pettifogging and obtusely partisan.

It means that the effect of the Hughes method of campaigning has reached the highest Democratic authorities. What the World has been saying about Hughes will be repeated by other and smaller Democratic papers. Democratic orators will find in it a text for their speeches. The President himself will not be above resorting to this means of attack before election arrives.

It means that the Democratic cause is already lost—and that the Democrats know it. It will not be easy to restrain irritation as we come to note the increasing frequency and the increasing virulence of these personal attacks upon Hughes; but we counsel no retort in kind. "Watchful waiting" will bring us to election day and to sure Republican triumph. Calling Hughes names will not injure the validity of the arguments with which he has awakened the reason and the conscience of the voters, calling Hughes names will not win back to Wilson the high-minded Democrats who are tired and sick of his vacillating phrase-making, calling Hughes names will not wear the returned Progressive from his renewed Republican allegiance. Calling Hughes names will hurt Wilson more than anybody else. Let the advocates of a lost cause have a monopoly of that kind of business.

It is announced that President Wilson will not tour the country but will make political speeches at Shadow Lawn and that his campaign will be an aggressive and offensive one, rather than defensive. Judging by the declarations of his acceptance speech, it may reasonably be expected that he will vigorously attack the principle of a protective tariff. His theory of building up our foreign trade is that we should first open our markets to the foreign producer, permitting the hope that the foreigner will later come here to buy our products, the hope that the foreigner will later come here to buy our products. The fact that the foreigner does not send back the money to buy our products, is immaterial to Mr. Wilson. In theory, that is what the foreign producer ought to do and if experience proves that he won't do it, that is no fault of Mr. Wilson. Under his administration, we have proceeded upon the theory that it is better to yield our rights first and depend upon the magnanimity of other nations to deal generously with us. It is quite in keeping with the Wilsonian policy to yield in commerce and industry as in diplomacy.

More useless work for government clerks in Washington! The forms for reports on the condition of national banks on September 12 called for a statement of the number of employees and salaries paid. The only purpose of the reports from banks is to enable the Treasury Department to assure itself of the soundness of the banks and to ascertain the general banking situation. What difference does it make to the Department, to the depositors, or to anyone except the stockholders, how many employees the bank has or what it pays them? Any stockholder who is interested can find out how many employees there are and what their salaries are, by personal inquiry. The next call for reports will likely ask the banks how many tons of coal they use and what price they pay. Thus employment will be provided for a few more "deserving Democrats" in compiling the statistics.

Luther Burbank, authority on spineless eels, says that Woodrow Wilson is the "greatest statesman we ever had." But Burbank isn't familiar with the history of the Cleveland administration. If he ever knew anything about Lincoln he has forgotten it. He has become so accustomed to reading about the wholesale slaughter of Americans that he has forgotten the statesman who demanded "Pericardis alive or Rasuli dead" and thus saved the life of an American citizen and the honor of the United States. He has seen so much of the policy of yielding to everybody on everything that he can't remember the time when we had statesmen who insisted upon the rights of Americans everywhere all the time. But most people who have kept in touch with affairs do remember, and think, and they don't consider Wilson "the greatest statesman we ever had."

If there was any doubt regarding the political destination of the members of the Progressive party, the New York primaries should have put an end to it. There were some 46,000 Progressives enrolled in that State. Only about forty per cent of them took the trouble to participate in the primaries and a majority of these cast their votes for Gov. Whitman, a regular Republican, who was a candidate for renomination by his own party in the same primary. The Progressives are back in Republican ranks according to every test that has been made in any election, anywhere, since 1912. The national election next month will furnish the most conclusive proof of this.

No Democrat who attempts to defend the domination of his party by the South makes out a good case—not even the President himself. They contend that the holding of all the important chairmanships in Congress by Southerners is due to rule of seniority. True. And by the same token, so long as the Democratic party is permitted to retain a majority in Congress these same Southern chairmen will hold their positions and control the course of legislation. The only way to end Southern domination is to end Democratic rule.

Matthew Hale, the Massachusetts Progressive, is so exhilarated by what Josephus Daniels calls "the Democratic victory in Maine" that he predicts that Mr. Wilson will win "like coasting down hill." An unfortunate smile. It suggests a landslide with the Democratic machine under the debris.—N. Y. Sun.

NEW YORK LETTER

(From Our Regular Correspondent)

George Ade's Position—George Ade, former active Indiana Progressive, but best known as the author of "Fables in Slang," has announced his determination to support Mr. Hughes. In his explanation of his course he says: "When I recall what has happened to this country during the past three years I pity all the good men who are sitting around benumbed by repeated insults and bewildered to learn that their native land is regarded by the rest of the world as a joke, but the large share of my pity is reserved for the poor historian of fifty years from now who will have to explain away our shame so that school children will believe it. Of late Mr. Wilson has been talking preparedness, but his voice doesn't sound natural. Why did he have to wait eighteen months after the European war broke out to discover that we needed a regular army and navy? He did not speak out or the preparedness issue until Democratic politicians had worn a path to the White House telling him what he had better say if he wanted to be re-elected. The Democrats said in 1912 that they would reduce the cost of living. All necessities and staples are now higher than ever before. We do not blame the Democrats for high prices. We do blame them for continually making idle promises. For instance, how about their definite promise to enforce economy and trim down appropriations? They have been in the pork-barrel up to their elbows."

Hughes on Adamson Bill—Gov. Hughes continues to pour hot shot into the administration because of the Adamson bill. Asserting at Newark that it was nothing less than deception to call it an "eight hour bill," Mr. Hughes quoted the statement of Senator Underwood of Alabama in the Senate debate. Replying to another Senator, Mr. Underwood said:

"If the Senator would go and consult with any of the gentlemen who represent the employees and who have been contending here in this matter, they would tell him candidly, as they told me, that the question is a question of wage; that they are not contending for an eight-hour day, that a man shall work only eight hours; they do not want that."

Mr. Hughes is showing up in conclusive manner the absolute hypocrisy of President Wilson's persistent misrepresentation of the Adamson bill as an "eight-hour" bill. "What is the purpose of this attempt to make the public believe that this bill fixes an eight-hour workday?" inquired Mr. Hughes, answering his own question thus, "Manifestly, in order to endeavor to justify this extraordinary action of the administration in its abject and humiliating surrender of principle in demanding and securing this legislation without any proper inquiry, as the price of peace. Evidently, it is felt that a wage increase could not be justified in this manner. What is fair and right can afford to be described correctly and can stand on its merits." Referring to President Wilson's assertion that "the eight-hour day has the sanction of the judgment of society" Mr. Hughes demanded to know, if that were true and the bill has been an eight-hour bill, how President Wilson dared to limit the eight-hour benefit to 20 per cent of the most highly paid railway employees and leaves all the others to work far longer hours. He also warned the labor men that the Adamson bill was very likely to prove a boomerang to labor, because with eight hours made the basis of a day's work, those men who completed their runs in less than eight hours were in grave danger of being compelled to turn to other work and put in the full eight hours.

Democratic Sandbagging—The exposure of the Democratic National Committee's scheme to sand-bag the 65,000 postmasters of the country into "contributing" 10 per cent of their annual salaries to the Wilson campaign fund has proved the sensation of the campaign. This attempt was made by means of a circular addressed to county chairmen by R. Bonna Ridgeway, member of the Finance Committee of the Democratic National Committee, from Postmaster General Burleson's state—Texas. To give further "punch" to his demand, Mr. Ridgeway stated in his circular that he wrote "at the instance" of National Committeeman Poindexter, who had just conferred with the National Committee in New York, meaning Chairman McCormick, with whom Mr. Poindexter had just been in conference. The county chairmen were warned that it was against the law to write to postmasters or to demand such a contribution in the postoffice, but were instructed to way-lay them elsewhere, to demand the 10 per cent, assessment and to tell them that "if President Wilson is re-elected there will be a permanent organization of our force throughout the country and a note will be made of the loyalty of those appointees who contributed, as well as the disloyalty of those who refused to contribute." It is not without significance that the Post Office Appropriation bill just passed carries an appropriation of \$21,000,000, "for compensation of postmasters." When the Republican first procured and made public a copy of the circular, in which local chairmen are instructed to "act intelligently" so as to avoid running afoul of the law, Chairman McCormick gave out a statement saying: "These charges are the most absurd nonsense and are absolutely untrue. They are in line with the campaign of misrepresentation that the Republicans have been making from the start." Mr. McCormick then learned that the Republican NATIONAL Committee was furnishing facsimiles of Ridgeway's circular to the daily press. He immediately abandoned his denial, admitted that the circular had been issued, but contended that its distribution had been stopped. From numerous prints, however, including the State of Washington, comes word from postmasters that the assessments are being made. Postmaster Childs of Spokane, among others, admits that he has paid 5 per cent of his salary into Mr. Wilson's campaign fund.

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